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Re: U.S. Application No. 10/668,240 filed September 24, 2003
Title: Coordinated Decrease and Increase of Gene Expression
of More Than One Gene Using Transgenic Constructs
Applicants: Alison VAN EENENNAAM *et al.*
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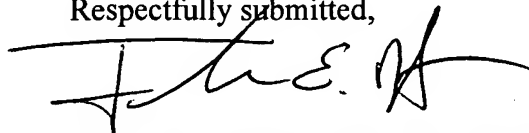
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Respectfully submitted,



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Sir:

In response to the Office communication mailed January 12, 2006 (hereinafter "Office Action"), Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.